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SUBJECT: TFLE01: CYPRUS SITREP 22 AS OF 0800 LOCAL,  
SATURDAY, JULY 29, 2006

REF: A. NICOSIA 1233

[1](#)B. NICOSIA 1222 AND PREVIOUS

Classified By: Ambassador Ronald L. Schlicher, reasons 1.4 B/D

[1](#)1. (C) Summary: Total headcount of U.S.-assisted arrivals in Cyprus as of 0800L July 29 was 13,233. 9,944 had departed with U.S. government assistance by 0800L on July 29. Both charter flights scheduled to depart on July 29 have been canceled. 497 people remain at the Cyprus International Fairgrounds.

CONSULAR

[1](#)2. (C) The following are consular updates:

--The total number of U.S.-assisted arrivals in Cyprus as of 0800L July 29 was 13,233 (includes the July 28 helicopter arrival of two adopted newborns). Total U.S.-assisted departures on charter flights remained unchanged at 9,944. Both July 29 charter flights were canceled, increasing the number of people at the Fairgrounds to 497 (some who had been at hotels decided to wait for future flights at the Fairgrounds). We have communicated the need for future charters to Taskforce 1, but to our knowledge at this time no further flights are scheduled. The Orient Queen is expected to arrive at 1700L July 29 with eleven official Americans from Embassy Beirut and approximately 300 other passengers.

--Post has received guidance from CA with regard to undocumented family members of U.S. citizens.

MANAGEMENT

[1](#)3. (U) The following are management updates:

--MGT is still looking at hotel arrangements for Orient Queen passengers, however we do not believe there will be enough availability to book all of them in Nicosia.

--The number of TDY staff is steadily decreasing, but weekend staffing at the Fairgrounds will again need to be boosted as people arrive from the Orient Queen.

SECURITY

[1](#)4. (U) The security situation at the Fairgrounds is calm but has potential for outbreaks of isolated violence. Many of those sheltered there are frustrated by the heat and spartan conditions, but mostly by the uncertainty about the departure of onward charters to the United States or the status of the estimated 90 pending applications for humanitarian parole.  
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